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THEFT OF JEWELRY.

West Virginia detectives are searching for a young woman who is charged, while acting as a governess, with stealing diamonds, jewels, and furs valued at \$10,000 from a wealthy family living at Fairmont, W. Va. The young woman went under the alias of Strong, and is believed to be a professional. The name of the family robbed is withheld by the police.

Friday morning last B. and O. passenger train No. 2 was held up for a few moments at a block tower at Sir John's Run, near Berkeley, to permit another train to pass. As soon as the train stopped a handsomely groomed young woman, who occupied a reservation in the Pullman car hastily left the train, leaving her traveling bag and suit case in the car. At Sir John's Run she procured a conveyance, and was driven to Berkeley Springs, and later secured another vehicle and was driven to Hancock, where she boarded a Western Maryland train for the east.

Her actions after she left the train led many to believe in both towns that she was demented, but being fashionably dressed, young and good-looking, and seemingly having plenty of money, she was not molested.

She purchased a ticket to New York city, and left in her traveling bag in the Pullman. The mystery of her sudden departure from the train was solved when Sheriff Hodel received a dispatch to search for her in Cumberland, Md., and at Hancock. Her personal effects were taken to Baltimore by the Pullman officials.

A description of her has been wired to all the big eastern cities.

Jennie Weekly, alias Jennie Miller, supposed to be the Strong woman's confederate, was arrested at Adamstown, W. Va., where \$500 worth of jewelry, alleged to have been taken from the late Mrs. Nannie Phillips, of Cumberland, was recovered. Sheriff Hodel says the pair have been working together as domestics.

SHOT DOWN BY A WOMAN.

As was stated in the Gazette, Charles M. Sanford, a lawyer, with offices in the Garfield Building, Brooklyn, and a respected resident of Southtown Branch, L. I., where he has a wife and family, was shot down in his office yesterday morning by a woman who had been a former client of his and who, it appears, had been seeking him for several years either for a real or a fancied grievance.

The woman who did the shooting gave her name as Jennie Blunt, and when she was arraigned, she told a story of having been drugged and assaulted some years ago after she had gone to consult Sanford in reference to a legal matter. Three weeks ago she had told the same story to the complaint clerk in the same court and had asked for a summons for Sanford.

When the man was refused to hear she told the clerk that she would kill the lawyer, but apparently no attention was paid to this threat.

Sanford, in an ante-mortem statement at the Brooklyn Hospital, told a story quite at variance with that told by the woman. According to the lawyer, she had complained to him some years ago of having been ruined by another man, and had him bring a case against this man. When this case fell through she had been annoying him ever since, Sanford said.

It was learned yesterday that the woman in February, 1906, had brought a charge in a Brooklyn police court against a young man named Schnitzler. Sanford acted as her lawyer in this case. Schnitzler was subsequently taken before the Supreme Court on a writ of habeas corpus and discharged.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEB. 26, 1908.

THE examination into the charges of graft in connection with the erection of the new Capitol building at Harpersburg, Pa., is bringing to light some interesting statements. In the course of a four-hour series of denials, evasions and pleas of ignorance, former Auditor General William P. Snyder provided the means yesterday which, in the opinion of the State's attorneys, will admit evidence in the present Capitol graft trial to show the enormous profits collected in the name of John H. Sanderson, the chief Capitol "trimmer." Thereby, the prosecution will seek to show to the jury's satisfaction that Sanderson's \$5,437,000 "trimmings" sale was an unconscionable contract, an objective point in the alleged conspiracy to defraud the State. Based upon profits collected by Sanderson, as disclosed in the legislative investigation of the "trimming" of the house of Sanderson's total profits is upward of \$3,000,000.

A NATIONAL labor party, which is to embrace the American Federation of Labor, with two million members, the untouchable national and local labor unions of the country with one million members, the socialist party with 600,000 members and the American Society of Equity, with 100,000 members, will be launched at the meeting of the United Trades and Labor Council in Cleveland, Ohio, tonight. Similar action is to be taken by the Central Labor bodies of other big American cities. In case the federation refuses to issue such a call, the United Trades and Labor Council will issue a call for a national conference to be held in Cleveland July 4. Should the above programme be carried out, troublous times may be expected in this country, as anarchists and other "undesirable citizens" will either go into the party or attempt to do so.

NEW YORK jurors who had reached a verdict in a street railway damage suit by the flip of a coin were fined \$50 each yesterday and the verdict set aside. Such a method of rendering a verdict is a travesty upon justice and brings the law into disfavor and disrepute.

THE reduction of the Philippine tariff has been shelved in Congress, through the efforts of the sugar and tobacco trusts, and yet President Roosevelt and a republican Congress are intent on making people believe they are fighting the trusts.

THE Senate military-affairs committee yesterday by a vote of 8 to 5, sustained the President in his discharge of the negro troops for the Brownsville affair. It is hoped that the matter will soon end as the country has had enough of it.

Is a protective tariff caused high wages, as the republicans claim, why should wages be twice as high in Massachusetts as they are in South Carolina? The tariff is just as high in one State as in another.

From Washington.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.] Washington, D. C., February 26.

The investigation of alleged improper methods on the part of the Electric Boat Company, of New Jersey, to influence legislation before Congress, proposed by Representative Lilley, of Connecticut, is not to be smothered. There is a growing demand among the membership of the House generally for a searching inquiry. The rules committee is expected to decide whether or not to report a resolution authorizing the investigation. Should it decide to report, it is quite likely that the resolution will provide for the investigation of the methods of all the submarine boat companies. If the committee should fail to report a resolution, it is understood that Mr. Lilley will at once make public the charges which he presented to the committee yesterday and will demand on the floor of the House that an investigation be had. It is known that Mr. Lilley mentioned names in the charges he filed yesterday. So far as can be ascertained, the charges were confined to statements that he expected to be able to prove that campaign contributions were made by the boat company, and that otherwise the concern was politically active in quarters where it believed it might be benefited in Congress. Speaker Cannon, contrary to plans yesterday, did not call his committee together today. While the House is at a high nervous tension over the charges that involve some of its members possibly, there is no indication that it will not give the rules committee a few more hours to recommend action on it.

Through the introduction in the House of a joint resolution by Representative Achenson, of Pennsylvania, providing for an amendment to the constitution of the United States, the prohibitionists have inaugurated a campaign for national suppression of the liquor traffic. Congress is asked by the resolution to submit to the legislatures of the states the question of whether or not prohibition shall prevail throughout the country and whether the manufacture, as well as the importation and sale of intoxicants shall cease. Matthew E. O'Brien, of Bridgeport, Conn., congressional representative of the national prohibition committee, is the author of the resolution. In an interview today he declared that it matters very little what Congress

does with it, the fight will be continued just the same.

Governor Magoon having disposed of the immediate problems of his Cuban administration, in conference with Secretary Taft and Secretary Root, will leave for the Island during the latter part of this week. It is probable, however, that before the United States withdraws from Cuba, he will make another trip to Washington to discuss with administration officials just what measures are to be taken to this end. The question is rapidly forcing itself upon the administration, and is likely to become, before many days, the most serious one of the provincial government. The forwarding of it will come with the arrival of party leaders from the island in Washington who have been informed by Senator Queda that they will be received. These will lay before the administration conflicting petitions. The political interests will ask that the United States do not infringe upon Cuban independence by making any guarantee upon withdrawing from the island. The commercial and property interests will ask that guarantees be made to maintain the peace and order of the republic. The task of determining which is likely to be the more advisable course is one which will occupy much of Governor Magoon's time upon his return.

The employees of railroads, injured in the line of duty, be given the right to choose between suing the railroads for damages and accepting the benefits provided for them by the railroad department of the government. The plan made today by Hugh L. Bond, Jr., third vice president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, before the House judiciary committee, which is now considering the pending employers liability bill.

Sixtieth Congress.

Washington, Feb. 26.

SENATE. The Senate passed a resolution, offered by Mr. Lodge, calling upon the President for the correspondence between the United States and Venezuela in the controversy now pending. "Concerning wrongs done to American citizens and corporations in that country by said government."

In a bitter denunciation of the Aldrich financial bill Senator Culberson read an amendment which he will later offer to the bill, making it a misdemeanor for any bank official to use public deposits for speculative purposes, providing a fine of not less than \$1,000 and twenty per cent. of the amount of money involved in each transaction, and the forfeiture of the bank charter.

Mr. Culberson charged that for forty years the "money power" had dominated financial legislation and he feared that it might continue. An echo of the action of the Senate committee on military affairs in sustaining the President's suspension of three companies of negro troops of the 25th regiment was heard in the Senate this afternoon, when Mr. Foraker introduced a bill providing for the correction of the records, and authorizing the re-enlistment of the dismissed soldiers. It also provides for the restoration to the men of all rights of which they have been deprived. The bill was referred to the committee on military affairs.

During the currency debate Mr. Nelson who advocates a plan of guaranteeing deposits, ironically remarked that the big banks of the east did not favor the idea because it would put them on a level with the small banks. He sarcastically referred to the steel trust's method of "relieving the panic" by exchanging five per cent. bonds for the stock of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, thus getting control of its only competitor without the payment of a cent of actual money.

HOUSE.

"Personally, I do not believe that there is any necessity for a general revision of our tariff laws," so Representative Daisell told the House today in a keynote republican political speech. The speech came partly as a reply to Mr. Clark, who, recently said when Mr. Daisell declared for revision downward he would believe the party was in earnest.

"I believe, however," continued Mr. Daisell, "that it is well to recognize the claims of those who think there should be some revision, and I am inclined to believe that unless there should be a change of sentiment in the mounting republican convention when it meets next June will promise that the subject shall be considered. If the republican party shall prevail in the next election, I believe the tariff will be revised at a special session of Congress, following immediately upon the inauguration of the President. When revised, it will be revised in strict accordance with the republican theory of protection, as to furnish adequate protection to every American industry and to the wages of every American workman. If there are now duties that are no longer needed for protection, they will be reduced or dispensed with. If there be places where such protection as I have described does not now exist, either by reason of the absence of duties, or by reason of their being too low; in this case duties will be added, and in the other case they will be increased. In other words, the tariff will be revised up or down, as may be necessary to make it really protective. I believe, furthermore, that we need a maximum and minimum tariff in order to meet the conditions created by foreign nations which have such systems. There will in no event be any tariff commission. The men who made the constitution entrusted to the representatives of the people, elected every two years, the exclusive prerogative of initiating revenue measures."

General Sheerwood, of Ohio, took sharp issue with the Roosevelt doctrine that a big army and a big navy are messengers of peace. The loss to the expeditionary force is \$1,000, with no insurance.

When unanimous consent of the House was asked by Minority Leader Williams for considering in the House of a resolution to authorize the immigration commission to make an investigation of peonage in the South, Representative Hardwick, objected. This objection was based on the fact that the resolution was limited to the South.

The West Virginia State building and the Children's and National Mothers' buildings on the Jamestown Exposition grounds were scorched, but not seriously damaged, by fire which early yesterday destroyed a large barn owned by the exposition company, in which several mules and horses were burned up. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin. The loss to the exposition receivers is \$1,000, with no insurance.

The House appointed three conferees on the Union station trackage bill.

News of the Day.

The New York police department was sent by the news today a report reached headquarters that Henry C. Frick had been assassinated at his home. The officers found Mr. Frick alive and well.

Queen Wilhelmina of Holland, and her consort, Prince Henry, collided with an electric tram car while driving at the Hague this afternoon. The wheels were torn from the carriage, but the royal couple escaped unhurt.

One man was killed, another seriously injured and a third missing as the result of a collision between two freight trains on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad near Barrow station, near New Rochelle, N. Y., today. The wreckage was burned.

Maddened because his wife, from whom he had separated, had refused him shelter, a man named Kolosovsky early today in Cleveland, O., fired three shots into the woman's body, killing her instantly. Kolosovsky then turned the gun on Jacob Smith, who had supported her in her refusal, and shot him twice.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Peggy F. Gibbs, widow of Gen. Alfred Gibbs, U. S. A., died at the home of her sister in Richmond yesterday.

Francis Chickering Briggs, business manager of the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, died of paralysis yesterday.

Mrs. Joseph Stern, of Norfolk, has sued her husband for a legal separation and a fortune-teller for the alienation of the affections of her husband.

Rupert Vaughan Lloyd, ticket agent for the Seaboard Air Line at Richmond, and Miss Virginia Campbell eloped to Washington yesterday and were married.

E. T. Hejlett, of Winchester, eloped with Miss Margaret Robinson, of Bealeton, and the couple were married in Newport, Ky., across the river from Cincinnati, after failing to get a license there.

General Scott Shipp, former superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute, reached Lexington yesterday from an extended trip through Europe, Egypt, the Philippines and returned by way of San Francisco. General Shipp is in robust health.

The Rev. Robb White, Jr., widely known in Virginia and a former resident of Standardsville, who was called to Cambridge, Mass., two or three years ago, has resigned his charge in that State and will go to the Philippines to take up missionary work.

The large furniture manufacturing plant of the Averill-Mitchell Co., at Cambris, a suburb of Christiansburg, was destroyed by fire early yesterday. The loss was \$15,000. The town was threatened with destruction, and Roanoke sent an engine and other apparatus.

The Legislature.

SENATE.

The senate spent the entire day yesterday in discussing the Byrd liquor law, which regulates the sale of intoxicants in the State. An amendment was passed relieving the bona fide clubs of the burden of local taxation, except that each has to pay the State \$2 for each member up to 450. The State license fee is \$450. Sunday selling is prohibited in the clubs as well as in saloons.

House bill No. 25, of which Delegate Cato was the patron, was passed. It provides that the governor may remit a fine in a case where the convicted man has died, leaving a widow and children. Some confusion arose over the matter, as many Senators misunderstood its provisions. It was explained that it had no application to the McCue case.

HOUSE.

Sixty members of the house voted for the passage of the bill to establish a State board of health, defining its duties and fixing its compensation. The bill carries an annual appropriation of \$40,000, which will be used largely in the establishment of tuberculosis sanitariums, for the treatment of patients.

The House passed the bill which provides for regulating the construction of school-houses in order that the health, sight and comfort of the school children may be properly protected. The bill passed by a large vote.

The house last night passed the bill creating a new judicial circuit, to be known as the Albion circuit, composed of the counties of Bedford and Franklin.

The House passed the bill which authorizes any railroad company to surrender its charter and take a new one under the present constitution. This virtually provides for a new charter for the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad.

JUDGE BLACKSTONE.

The prosecution in the investigation of charges against Judge J. W. G. Blackstone, of the Eleventh judicial circuit, yesterday morning rested its case, the rest of the day being taken up in the arguments of attorneys. Before the argument was begun Attorney Ashby stated that there was one more witness to be introduced by the defense, and inquired, furthermore, that we need a maximum and minimum tariff in order to meet the conditions created by foreign nations which have such systems. There will in no event be any tariff commission. The men who made the constitution entrusted to the representatives of the people, elected every two years, the exclusive prerogative of initiating revenue measures."

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Today's Telegraphic News.

President's Message.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The President sent to Congress today a message transmitting a preliminary report from the inland waterways commission, which he appointed last March in response to a widespread interest and demand from the people. The basis of this demand he says lay in the general and admitted inability of the railroads to handle promptly the traffic of the country, and especially the crops of the previous fall.

Among other things he said: The improvement of our inland waterways can and should be made to pay for itself so far as practicable from the incidental proceeds from water-power and other uses. Navigation should of course be free. But the greatest return will come from the increased commerce, growth, and prosperity of our people. For this we have already waited too long. Adequate funds should be provided, by bond issue if necessary, and the work should be delayed no longer. The development of our waterways and the conservation of our forests are the two most pressing physical needs of the country. They are independent, and they should be met vigorously, together, and at once. The questions of organization, power, and appropriations are now before the Congress. There is urgent need for prompt and decisive action.

Fined and Imprisoned.

Doylesburg, Pa., Feb. 26.—Charles E. Rowe and Lawrence Vanzant, of Newportville, pleaded guilty before Judge Stout here yesterday, the former of taking undue pictures of sixteen-year-old Nellie Brown, also of Newportville, and the latter to exhibiting the pictures. The girl, who is slight and very pretty, testified that she was home alone, as housekeeper for her father, who had erected a house from the wreckage of a coal boat, which Rowe came to the house with his camera and threatened to whip her if she did not pose for him. Fearful that he would do her bodily harm, she did so, and he took three pictures. Rowe testified that the girl had frequently importuned him to take her picture, and on the day in question she again solicited him to take her picture. Vanzant admitted that he had exhibited the pictures, but said he did not know it was against the law. Rowe was fined \$100 and Vanzant, sentenced to six months in jail, while Vanzant was fined \$50.

The Fleet.

Callao, Peru, Feb. 26.—Though Admiral Evans's armada will not steam from Callao harbor until Saturday morning, preparations for its departure have already been completed.

Every ship's bunkers are full, all necessary supplies have been taken on board and such repairs as were required after the voyage from Punta Arenas have been finished.

The officers are very much pleased by the good condition in which the men-of-war reached here. It certainly speaks well, they say, for the shape in which they left Hampton Roads.

The voyage has been marked by so few mishaps, indeed, and so little bad weather that sailors are predicting all kinds of disaster for the trip to Magdalena Bay and up the California coast "all in a bunch." But the officers are not much disturbed by these predictions. They think the latter part of the voyage will be the easiest.

Funeral of Murdered Priest.

Denver, Col., Feb. 26.—The most remarkable gathering in the history of Denver attended the funeral today of Father Leo Helrich, the priest murdered at the altar Sunday. For three blocks people were massed in the streets near the church. They began gathering early in the morning. Only the members of the parish were admitted to the services. The various Catholic societies acted as guard to keep back the crowd.

The church of which Father Leo was pastor was filled all night with women who prayed for the peace of his soul. At the hour when the funeral was being held, the formal charge of murder was being made against Giuseppe Alo, the Italian anarchist, in the criminal court and he is in a cell at Colorado Springs, was repeating: "All priests are bad; they dine upon the fat of the land while the people fast. I only wish the one I killed was the priest I knew twelve years ago in Sicily."

Capt. Van Schaick in Sing Sing.

Ossining, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Worn and broken in health and spirit, his face still retaining the scars of his burns, he received while trying to run his ill-fated steamer, the General Bloem, ashore on North Brother Island, Captain William P. Van Schaick entered Sing Sing prison today to begin serving what in his case must amount to a life sentence. If President Roosevelt does not interfere, already past the allotted three score and ten, there is little chance that he will survive to serve the term of ten years imposed on him for the Slocum disaster. Van Schaick, accompanied him to the doors of the prison.

Anxiety in Constantinople. Vienna, Feb. 26.—The Constantinople police are almost prostrated with alarm, according to dispatches from the Turkish capital, over their inability to find more than a fifth of the fifty Armenians who have come here from the United States to assassinate the Sultan. The authorities are reported to have failed, after exerting all kinds of pressure to wring any information concerning their accomplices from the ten suspects arrested yesterday. While the hunt is progressing it is feared the plotters still at large may act.

Kelsey Retained.

Albany, N. Y., Feb. 26.—Otto Kelsey was retained in the office of State Superintendent of Insurance today by the Senate over the recommendation for his removal by Gov. Hughes by a vote of 30 to 19 without one word of debate. Friends of Governor Hughes were utterly routed and threw up the sponge absolutely in the preliminary proceedings. It was the most open rebuff a governor has sustained in New York in years.

New York Stock Market. New York, Feb. 26.—Price movements during the first hour were generally so favorable, followed by bear drives at 1 o'clock in which there seemed to be a lack of support and continued selling of the great majority of stocks that formerly constituted what was called the active list. Business was the quietest of the year, the transactions of the first hour being less than 100,000 shares.

The Market.

Georgetown, D. C., Feb. 26.—Wheat 90-94.

City Council.

There was a short session of the City Council last night. The volume of business transacted was small.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

But five Aldermen were present, and the business presented was transacted expeditiously.

The report of the committee on schools and finance recommending an appropriation of \$1,500 for public school purposes, received from the Common Council at the last meeting and laid over, was adopted.

President Curtin presented a petition of George R. Smith to make certain improvements to his house, No. 121 south Henry street, and the privilege was granted provided there is no objection on the part of adjoining property-owners.

Mr. Sweeney, from the finance committee, presented a resolution appropriating \$100 for the use of the Alexandria Kindergarten, which was adopted.

Mr. Sweeney also presented a report of the same committee recommending an appropriation of \$200 for repairing streets, \$800 for streets and sewers, \$250 for chain gang, \$1,200 for fire department, \$150 for fire plugs and \$150 for election expenses. The report was in response to a communication from the Auditor announcing the exhaustion of certain appropriations.

Mr. Sweeney after presenting the report said:

"The Auditor in his communication to Council calling attention to certain appropriations says, 'They have practically been expended.' Such is the case as an examination of the Auditor's books will show. There was appropriated for streets and sewers \$20,200, and to this we add voluntary assessments against abutting property owners, which were as follows: On Washington street from Queen to Wythe \$5,664.87, King street from Fayette to the Corporation line, \$4,265.90, and the assessment against the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway Company for King street \$3,957.87—making a total of \$40,088.64. There has been expended and charged against this \$40,088.64 the sum of \$40,065.02, leaving a balance of only \$23.62. This includes all and kinds and classes of expenditures, labor, material, etc. The City Engineer reports at least \$3,000 worth of curbing, bricks, and sewer pipes on hand. He fully expects to proceed with the paving of Cameron street from Fairfax to Royal street. The material on hand would have been used for this work. The improved roadway on Washington street and the King street paving were completed at a cost of between \$1,100 and \$1,200 less than estimated and appropriated. The former exceeded the appropriation by a small amount, but the latter cost much less than was estimated and appropriated. Of the \$6,500 appropriated for the fire department—anticipating the salaries of the employees for 4 months to the end of the fiscal year—the sum of \$6,937.64 has been expended, and as it will require at least \$700 and probably more, will make necessary an additional appropriation of \$1,100; this in addition to the \$1,000 to pay for horse which will be reported by the joint committees of public property and finance. Chain gang appropriation of \$1,000, has expended \$922.27. Election appropriation of \$300, \$293.70 expended. Fire plugs appropriation of \$550, expended \$532.90. The committee on finance in making a recommendation of \$200 for repairing streets intends that as only for what must be strictly construed as necessary repairs. The \$200 for street and sewer work may be argued, and to meet some obligations for tools and material. Council some years ago appropriated some \$3,000 or \$4,000 for the continuance of what is known as the Royal street sewer. If the committee on streets and City Engineer intend building this sewer it will probably be well for Council to pass an order authorizing and directing the Auditor to issue warrants in payment of same in sum of \$— and payable out of any money in city treasury and not otherwise appropriated. It is a proper charge out of the receipts of the present fiscal year.

The report was laid over under the rules.

A report of the joint committees on public property and finance recommending the payment of \$1,000 for horse purchased by the Board of Fire Wardens for the Columbia and Reliance steam engines was presented. The report will be found in full in the official proceedings.

Mr. Sweeney, Summers and Marbury said it had been observed by some that the horse purchased by the wardens at \$1 per foot was of no better quality than that heretofore bought at 70 cents a foot; besides it was a bad precedent for the wardens, well-meaning people as they are, to incur such an expenditure without asking the consent of Council.

President Curtin said it had been done on other occasions, but that it would have been better to have asked Council to appropriate the money, as doubtless would be done in future.

Mr. Summers said when he was a warden such a course was always pursued.

Mr. Marbury said he would vote for the appropriation because the committee had requested it, but in future he would vote against the payment of bills contracted without the consent of Council.

Mr. Sweeney said the laws governing the action of the Fire Wardens should be examined into. The wardens, like councilmen, performed their services gratuitously, but should Council formulate certain rules the wardens and councilmen would understand each other better.

The report was adopted by a unanimous vote.

After concurring in the action of the Common Council on several papers which had been sent in the board adjourned.

COMMON COUNCIL.

A communication was received from Mayor P. F. in regard to a resolution introduced by Alderman Brill in the upper board concerning the schedule arranged between the city and the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway Company for the local car on King street.

In this connection Mr. Williams suggested and on his motion a committee of

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two members of this board was appointed to confer with a like committee from the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor, and the railroad company in preparing a schedule for the King street car.

Later it was stated that the matter of arranging a schedule was in the hands of the Mayor and the committee on streets.

Mr. Leadbeater said in this connection that when the meeting was held he hoped the committee would bring up the question of the car meeting the ferry steamer, as there had been much complaint along this line.

Messrs. Williams and Leadbeater were appointed to represent the lower board.

A resolution was received from Zoro Hill, secretary of the Board of Police Commissioners, asking Council to make an appropriation to wire police headquarters, so that electricity instead of gas could be used there.

Mr. Spinks said he knew of the agreement between the city and the electric light company and he asked for the reference of the resolution to a committee.

Mr. Strauss referred to his service as a police commissioner and said gas was good enough for him when he was on the board. He was opposed to extravagance.

In this connection Mr. Marshall said he had had a conversation with the Clerk of Gas, Mr. John Waller, and proceeded to read the contract between the city and the electric light company.

The resolution was referred to the Committee on Public Property.

A resolution permitting George R. Smith to change the construction of a building and erect a two-story frame kitchen at 121 south Henry street, was received from the Board of Aldermen and their action concurred in.

A resolution appropriating \$100 for the Alexandria Free Kindergarten, which came in from the Board of Aldermen, was adopted.

At this juncture, while waiting for the Board of Aldermen, Mr. Spinks asked about a resolution he had filed a year ago in regard to the condition of Fayette street. He said he would like to have it taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Streets. He further said he was opposed to antagonizing the railroads and wanted the tracks to remain just where they are, but he insisted that the city had certain rights the railroads were bound to respect. As far as Henry street was concerned, he said the matter was in abeyance, as he would not speak of it, but he insisted that something should be done about Fayette street, as it is in a horrible condition and numerous complaints had been made about it.

Mr. Leadbeater, from the Committee on Streets, spoke of a resolution he had offered about the Corporation Attorney preparing an ordinance covering the matter of improvements. The committee had appeared to the railroad company, but he said, the fact stated the committee in the face that the work was not done. He also referred to a resolution offered some time ago, which, he thought, had been referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. Strauss said he did not think it required a resolution to compel the railroads to carry out their contract. He thought all that was necessary was for the City Engineer to give notice to the railroads as to what the city wanted done.

Mr. Spinks was of the same opinion. He cited several authorities to sustain his position. He wanted it to be distinctly understood that he was a friend of the railroads, but he was a better friend of the city. He wanted the city's interest well cared for. He thought that it would only require about \$1,600 or \$2,000 expended on the part of the railroads to place the street in proper repair and if they did not make such repairs upon request there should be a law compelling them to do so.

Mr. Marshall said he had offered a resolution November 26, 1907, on the subject, which was turned down at the time. He said, as a member of Council, he wanted to be excused from antagonizing the railroads. He would, however, stand as firm as any member against any encroachments on the part of the railroads. He thought of the matter was properly presented to Mr. B. Rice, chief road master, any reasonable improvement would be made.

Mr. Leadbeater said he did not want to misrepresent any one. He said, if his memory served him rightly, he had read a letter in the city engineer's office from Mr. Duke, representing the railroad, concerning Henry street. Mr. Duke said his railroad had nothing to do with it; as far as Fayette street was concerned, he had Duke, then to the railroad company for the city to improve its part before it asked the railroad to do anything, as he thought the railroad's portion was in as good condition, if not better, than the city's. Mr. Leadbeater went on to say he had no faith in the railroad's promises and would rather see the city act in this matter.

Mr. Williams agreed with Mr. Leadbeater and hoped the city would prevail against the railroads and compel them to do their part towards improvements.

Mr. Marshall insisted that the Henry street improvement was in court and he earnestly hoped the matter would not be complicated. He thought that all that was necessary was for the authorities of this city to tell the railroads what they wanted—or in other words, deal directly with Mr. Rice, chief road master.

Mr. Spinks wanted legal knowledge in regard to the matter and preferred to wait until Council could proceed intelligently. He wanted the tracks to remain where they are and did not want to appear as antagonizing the railroads, but he certainly wanted the city protected and would suggest that the railroads be compelled, if possible, to improve the streets through which they passed.

Mr. Leadbeater said the law should be plain, and he thought that if this was the case there would be no trouble.

A resolution offered by Mr. Williams instructing the committee on streets to confer with the representatives of the Washington Southern Railway and requesting the Corporation Attorney to draw an ordinance covering the matter was adopted.

A bill of \$1,000 from the Eureka Hose Company, which had been referred to the committee on public property and finance, came in from the Aldermen, that body having adopted the report of the committee to which it had been referred.

Mr. Strauss was opposed to the Fire

Wardens expending this money without consent of Council and, while he said, the present bill had to be paid, he was opposed to any such expenditure.

Mr. Williams suggested that that part of the report concerning the rules of the fire department should go to the committee on general laws.

Mr. Marshall said that an appropriation of \$1,000 could not be voted upon by the two boards on the same night, and suggested that the matter go over. In reference to the Fire Wardens expending \$1,000 for hose before an appropriation had been made, he said as the creature was not above the creator, Council did not think it wise to delegate such power to any officer of the city government.

Mr. Burke was of the same opinion

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEB. 26, 1908.

Local Matters.

Sun and Tide Table.

Sun rises tomorrow at 6:37 a. m. and sets at 5:59. High water at 8:23 a. m. and 3:56 p. m.

Weather Probabilities.

For this section fair much colder tonight and Thursday; brisk wind to northward.

NO AGREEMENT REACHED.

Because of a failure to reach an agreement in respect to the matter of a reduction of wages of the employees of the Southern Railway Company, the negotiations have been broken off and President Finley announces that he will carry the case to the Interstate Commerce Commission and to the Commissioner of Labor. Under the Erdman act, President Finley yesterday gave out a statement in which he expresses confidence that there will yet be an amicable adjustment of the controversy between the Southern Railway and its men, and expresses regret that the latter cannot see their way clear to accept the wage scale which the management has offered.

The intended action of the Southern Railway in seeking the mediation of the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Commissioner of Labor is regarded as marking the beginning of a campaign upon the part of the railroad when such controversies arise to seek adjustment in that matter rather than to negotiate with their employees.

The proposition of the management of the Southern Railway to reduce the wage scale was based, it is stated, upon the ground that the existing business conditions and the falling off in revenue made it imperative to do so.

With that object in view conferences have been going on for two weeks or more between officials of the Southern Railway and representatives of the employees affected, which involved the locomotive engineers and firemen and machinists and other shopmen. It was proposed to restore the wage scale which was in effect a year ago.

President Finley's statement is as follows:

"Our employees, working under contract, having declined our proposition in regard to a reduction in wages, we still feel confident that there should be an amicable adjustment and do not propose to proceed in any arbitrary way. We have notified our employees of our regret that they cannot at the present time see their way clear to accept the suggestions as to the wage scale, which the management considers imperative necessary under existing conditions and have stated to them that we will not, at the mediation of the chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Commissioner of Labor, under section 2 of the Erdman act, which provides that in any controversy concerning wages which threatens to interrupt the business of an interstate carrier, either party may ask the intervention of the chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Commissioner of Labor, and in the event of such request, require the officials named to put themselves into communication with the parties to the controversy and use their best efforts, by mediation and conciliation, to bring about an amicable adjustment of the questions at issue."

"We have, accordingly, requested the mediation of the officials named in the hope of arriving at an adjustment of all matters in controversy with our men, which will be cordially accepted by both interests involved."

CONCERT TOMORROW NIGHT.

The Mousgus Club of Washington, under the direction of its conductor, Mr. Edgar Priest, will give a grand concert for the benefit of the improvement fund of Grace P. E. Church, on Thursday, February 27th, as advertised elsewhere in the Gazette and if the weather is propitious it is confidently expected that the Young Men's Lyceum will be taxed to its seating capacity. "The Desert" by Felicien David, a symphonic ode in three parts, and Grieg's "Land-Sighting" will be the principal numbers. The text of the Desert is translated from the French of Auguste Colin by the Rev. J. Troutbeck, D. D., and calls for a tenor solo, quartette and a reader. Mr. Joseph Mathieu, soloist of St. John's Church, will sing the tenor part, and the descriptive prologue will be read by Mr. Edwin Callow of New York, who frequently appeared on the program of the New York Banks' Glee Club. In Grieg's composition, which calls for a robust tone, the club will be heard to good advantage. Mr. James S. Hicks has the solo parts in this. Other soloists for the evening are The Madrigal Male Quartette—Charles R. Bartlett, L. Boy A. Glider, Theodora T. Apple, Master Russell B. Brothby, and J. W. Oney, jr., at the piano. The programs has been carefully prepared and rehearsed, and a splendid musical evening is in store for those who attend.

CASE CONTINUED.

There was but one case before the Police Court this morning, that of a well known negro named Richard Washington, alias Pines, who had been arrested during 9 and 10 o'clock last night by Officers Young and Garvey on suspicion of attempting to enter a house on Fayette street, between King and Prince. The neighborhood had been excited by the appearance of a man on the shed of the house, and a young man discharged a pistol at the trespasser. Washington had been seen in the vicinity by a number of people. The accused had his case continued until next Friday. Pines had just served a term in jail for a misdemeanor.

COLORED REPUBLICANS.

Magnus L. Robinson has called a conference of colored republicans to meet at the office of the Industrial Advocate, 427 south Royal street, tomorrow night. The object is not stated, although the movement is believed in the interest of Senator Forsaker.

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AMUSEMENTS.

GRAND CONCERT.

Young Men's Sodality Lyceum, Duke Street, near Royal, Thursday, Feb. 27, 8 P. M.

First Part: The oratorio of "The Desert," by THE MURBURG GLEE CLUB, of Washington, 30 voices.

Second Part: Solos by special singers in the Club. Humorous Readings by Mr. Edwin Callow, of New York.

For the benefit of Grace Church Improvement Fund.

Reserved seats at Edgar Warfield's Drug Store, 35 cents. General admission 25c. feb21 st

FOR SALE—One pair of choice white Leg-horn CHICKENS for breeding purposes; also EGGS for setting of White Leg-horns and Black Minorcas at 75 cents per setting. Address Dr. C. F. OUTCAIT, 122 south Washington street.

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ELKS' CARNIVAL.

This is the last night before the close of one of the most pleasing entertainments Alexandria has had the pleasure of witnessing. One can hardly believe that the old armory, after tomorrow night, could be so transformed from a thing of beauty to a plain hall—with no attraction whatever. As to the success of the carnival there is not the slightest doubt, but as to the extent of such success we are unable to say. That the working committee—composed of Messrs. Marshall, Hill, Bales, Sparks and others—deserve the richest reward for their efforts, no one can doubt, and if many thousands of dollars are not added to the fund it is not owing to lack of effort on their part, for they have worked so tirelessly night and day. The entire 10 days pleasure at the armory has been highly enjoyed, for it was something far above the average bazaar. A fact that cannot be controverted is that the prettiest girls that ever loaned their presence to such an undertaking have helped to make the carnival a success and too much praise can not be bestowed upon them—for they are really the gems of creation, and without their presence there would be no sunshine in man's life. But the carnival will end tomorrow night and with it the destruction of the beautiful decorations which have so delighted the eye. An auction of all the goods will commence at 8 o'clock and dancing will start at 9 and continue at intervals throughout the evening. Don't fail to see the reproduction of Mt. Vernon before the carnival closes.

One of the most attractive booths in the hall is the flower stand presided over by Mrs. Fannie Williams and Mrs. J. F. Birrell. The floral display is beautiful.

VERDIOT AGAINST LUNA PARK.

In the Circuit Court for Alexandria County last night the jury rendered a verdict awarding the plaintiff, J. H. Goodrich, damages in the sum of \$2,000 in his suit against the Washington Luna Park Company. The suit was to recover damages in the sum of \$5,000 for injuries alleged to have been sustained during an accident on June 27, 1906, at the park of the defendant company while the plaintiff was riding in a car on the roller coaster which collided with another car. A motion to set aside the verdict and for a new trial was overruled. The plaintiff was represented by Messrs. Leo P. Harlow and C. F. Diggs and the defendant company by Messrs. Moore, Barbour & Keith.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

The residence of Mrs. G. E. Markell, 217 Wolfe street, was the scene of a very pretty gathering yesterday afternoon, it being the occasion of the second birthday anniversary of her little granddaughter, Thelma F. Brenner. After indulging in numerous games a bountiful repast was served the little ones. Among those present were: Virginia Sevier, Master William Brenner, Ramon Motze, Marshal Travers, Elmer Mander, Hazel Rogers, Loula Griffith, Lillian Hamilton, Dorothy Chase, Gladys Markell, Sammy Chase, Mary Williams, Lucile Tenneson, Lester Brenner, Easton Mills and Etelle Jenkins.

CORPORATION COURT.

[Judge L. C. Barley presiding.]

In re William Watson, a lunatic; H. W. Smith appointed special commissioner to ascertain what property is owned by Watson and whether it is necessary to sell the same for his maintenance.

J. J. Hanratty qualified as administrator of the estate of his father, the late Peter Hanratty.

Didsonett vs. Ballenger; an injunction suit to restrain defendant from selling certain property; arguments heard and case submitted.

PERSONAL.

Miss Katherine Daingerfield is being much feted at Princeton, where she is visiting with a party of friends.

Mrs. H. L. Harlow and Miss Belle Miller, of Somerset, are visiting friends in this city.

Mrs. Hudson Martin, of Fabre, Nelson county, is visiting her son, Mr. Ohas. T. Martin, 1110 King street.

COURT FOR THE COUNTY.

[Judge J. B. T. Thornton, presiding.]

Rowden vs. Washington Luna Park Company; a suit for damages; case continued till next term. Court adjourned till Friday next.

Bert Barber, of Elton, Wis., says: "I have only taken four doses of your Kidney and Bladder pills and they have done for me more than any other medicine has ever done."

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56-piece Carlsbad Tea Sets, worth \$7.50, reduced to \$5.98.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

The barge Louisa is loading railroad ties at this place for a northern port.

Rain began to fall last night and there were showers and hail this morning. The temperature was higher than that which prevailed during the past week. Clearing weather followed at noon.

About 11 o'clock last night shots were heard near the viaduct over Shooter's Hill road, or King street extended. The cause could not be ascertained. Pistol shots were also heard at a late hour last night near the old Fayette street depot.

Mrs. C. M. Pickin and Mrs. Ruth Field are making a very delicious orange jelly at 9 south Washington street. Call and get a glass or two and try it. Orders at F. G. Cockey's grocery store, corner Duke and St. Asaph streets, will be promptly filled.

THE REHEA CASE.

Two reports were filed in Richmond last night in the joint assembly of the House and Senate, one of which, signed by nine members of the joint committee on confirmation, recommends the confirmation of Judge William F. Reha, of Bristol, as a member of the State Corporation Commission, and the other, drawn by one member, contains a resolution that he be not confirmed.

The minority report was submitted by Senator T. Ashby Wickham, and the majority report by Senators Sloan, Lester, Echols, Mann, and Delegates Cooke, West, Stuart, Wilson, and Janney. Through four hours the members of the legislature discussed the report, only one voice, Senator Noel, of Lee county, speaking against the confirmation of the Bristol judge.

Senator Noel, who preferred the charges against Judge Reha, arose immediately following the reading of the report, and spoke for nearly an hour. Speaker Byrd succeeded Senator Noel on the floor, and was so vigorously applauded in the outset of his remarks that he could not proceed for some minutes. Speaker Byrd attacked the position which Mr. Noel had assumed in the matter, and stated that he could never be said to believe otherwise than that Judge Reha's accuser has hid his stings of malice and revenge under the guise of patriotism.

There is no doubt that Judge Reha will be confirmed, and by a very large majority. It is believed that the republicans will vote solidly against him.

Charles A. Stullings will not be restored to duty as Public Printer. President Roosevelt yesterday let this fact be known to friends who talked with him concerning the tangle in the Government establishment. The report of W. S. Rosster will be made to the President within a week, it is believed. He has communicated some of his findings to the President, and these are said to substantiate the charges which resulted in the suspension of Mr. Stullings.

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COMPANIONS.

Alexandria, Va., Feb. 25, 1908.

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VIRGINIA.—In the Clerk's Office of the Corporation Court of the city of Alexandria, on the 24th day of February, 1908, John McWilliams, executor of James McWilliams, deceased, vs. Annie Webster, Florence Milburn, Celia Milburn, David Milburn, Annie Simpson, Henry Simpson, Maggie M. Cook, Carrie Sprig, Jennie Myers, William Myers, Nannie Robey, and E. H. Cox, administrators, et al., n. o. c. t. s. of Mariah E. Williams, deceased, in chancery.

Memo. The object of this suit is to sell house and lot No. 227 north Pitt street, (south-east corner of Pitt and Queen streets), Alexandria, directed to be sold by the will of the late Mariah E. Williams, and apply proceeds of sale according to the terms and purposes expressed in said will and to refund the amount of money advanced by her executor for such purposes in administration of her estate.

It appearing by an affidavit filed in this cause that the defendants, Florence Milburn, David Milburn, Annie Simpson, Carrie Sprig, Jennie Myers, William Myers and Nannie Robey, are non-residents of this State; It is Ordered,

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ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES

General Depot of the Quartermaster's Department, Washington, D.C., Feb. 15, 1908. Sealed proposals in triplicate will be received at this office until 11 o'clock a.m., Monday, March 16, 1908, and then publicly opened for reading at Arlington National Cemetery, Va. Plans and specifications can be had and information obtained on application to this office. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked "Proposals for Grading," and addressed to MAJOR M. GRAY ZALINSKI, Quartermaster, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C., Feb. 15, 1908, 21 mar 13.

Office of Constructing Quartermaster, U. S. Army, Fort Washington, Md., January 29, 1908. Sealed proposals in triplicate will be received at this office until 2 p.m., March 3, 1908, for furnishing and installing screens, change of the stone and nets, left go, and the diver rapidly reaches the bottom, leaves the stone, which the manduck instantly hauls up and refixes, throws himself on the ground, creeping along, and fills his net with oysters. This done, he jerks the rope, which is pulled up by the manduck in charge, and the contents of the net are discharged into the boat. The diver meanwhile rises to the surface. —Ceylon Manual.

Office of Constructing Quartermaster, U. S. Army, Fort Washington, Md., January 29, 1908. Sealed proposals in triplicate will be received at this office until 2 p.m., March 2, 1908, for the construction of Macdonald Roads, Brick Gutters, Concrete Abutment, Catch Basins, Railroad Track, and the Resurfacing of Roads at Fort Hunt, Va. Information regarding plans and specifications may be obtained at this office and intending bidders will be furnished them upon depositing the sum of \$5.00, which will be refunded upon return of same. Proposals must be marked "Proposals for Constructing Macdonald Roads, etc.," and addressed to the Constructing Quartermaster, U. S. Army, Fort Washington, Md., Jan. 31, Feb. 4, 28, 29.

Office of Constructing Quartermaster, U. S. Army, Fort Washington, Md., January 30, 1908. Sealed proposals in triplicate will be received at this office until 2 p.m., March 4, 1908, for the construction of one double barrack building at Fort Washington, Md., information regarding plans and specifications may be obtained at this office and intending bidders will be furnished them upon depositing the sum of \$10, which will be refunded upon return of same. Proposals must be marked "Proposals for Constructing Double Barrack Building at Fort Washington, Md.," and addressed to the Constructing Quartermaster, U. S. Army, Fort Washington, Md., Feb. 4, 6, 7, mar 2, 5.

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ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, FEB. 26, 1908.

Possum.

Preferably possum should be cooked over a wood fire in a big cabin and seasoned with the odorous blue smoke of hickory and ash as the lid of the oven is lifted now and again to give a glimpse of the promised viand to those who wait with whetted appetite for the coming feast. With the possum and taters there should be served either the ordinary Kentucky corn pone—if such an adjective may be not improperly applied to anything so rare—or the Olympian cracklin' bread of the hog killing season. In justice to the possum it must be said that neither corn pone nor cracklin' bread is necessary, but it serves well not only to mop up the gravy, but also to prevent the possum and the yams from melting in the mouth too rapidly for the flavor to be enjoyed in the fullest. The finest possums on earth are found in the woodlands of the Peninsular district of Kentucky, and they reach perfection about the time the perfumed pawpaw becomes so ripe that it falls from the parent stem who have never pursued art as an end and whose first instinctive expression in meeting great experiences has never been artistic, but who have never divorced action from vision nor failed in the long run to match power in action with some kind of beauty in speech. From its English ancestry the country has inherited an ingrained and ineffaceable idealism of nature, which enormous tasks and hitherto incredible prosperity have at times smothered and blighted, but never destroyed. From other races have come richer temperaments, quicker sensibilities, craving for joy and love of beauty for its own sake, which have already immensely enriched American art and are subduing American life.—Hamilton Mable in Atlantic.

American Temperament and Art.

The majority of the men and women who gave American life its form and direction were not the children of an artistic race, though they were the heirs of a great literature. They descended from a people who have never pursued art as an end and whose first instinctive expression in meeting great experiences has never been artistic, but who have never divorced action from vision nor failed in the long run to match power in action with some kind of beauty in speech. From its English ancestry the country has inherited an ingrained and ineffaceable idealism of nature, which enormous tasks and hitherto incredible prosperity have at times smothered and blighted, but never destroyed. From other races have come richer temperaments, quicker sensibilities, craving for joy and love of beauty for its own sake, which have already immensely enriched American art and are subduing American life.—Hamilton Mable in Atlantic.

The Wettest Trade.

The lot of the taylor pearl diver is not an easy one. Stones are suspended on a running rope over an outrigger projected from the boat's side in such a convenient position as to allow the diver to place one foot within a loop affixed to the stone. The diver, having placed himself with one foot on the stone, with a net under his neck to hold oysters, draws in his breath, closes the nostrils with one hand and raises his body to give force to the descent. The manduck (or diver's assistant), in charge of the stone and nets, lets go, and the diver rapidly reaches the bottom, leaves the stone, which the manduck instantly hauls up and refixes, throws himself on the ground, creeping along, and fills his net with oysters. This done, he jerks the rope, which is pulled up by the manduck in charge, and the contents of the net are discharged into the boat. The diver meanwhile rises to the surface. —Ceylon Manual.

The Restless Piper.

A Wall street flounder was talking about music. "I like all music," said, "except such native and special sorts as the tomtom, the bagpipes or the Indian huffa give off. Did you ever notice how a piper prances up and down as he pipes? He never sits, he never stands still, but up and down, round and round, to and fro, he struts continually. A little boy, listening to the weird skirl of the bagpipes of a street performer, once said to his father, 'Mother, what does the piper look like? Does he ever stop?'" "I can't say, my boy," the father answered, "unless it is to prevent any one getting the range with a cobblesone."

Correct Interpretation Essential.

Many of the most beautiful pieces of poetry in literature would seem uninteresting and flat if read by a bad reciter. In the same way a good reader will make attractive a poem whose beauties are not so apparent. A fine painter will light up such little beauty in his pictures until the smallest detail is attractive and strikes the eye. It is only the mediocrity whose work is characterized by sameness and lack of interest.—Strand Magazine.

Logical Supposition.

Little Lloyd—Papa, was George Washington married to England? Papa—Of course not, my son. Why do you ask such a silly question? Little Lloyd—This book says England is our mother country, and as George Washington was the father of his country I supposed they were married.—Chicago News.

He Was Inevitable.

Underdone—My husband is complaining again of your cooking, Mary. Mary (reassuringly)—Oh, mum, I don't take any notice of him. For the nature of him to find fault. Ain't he forever complainin' of you, mum?—Illustrated Bits.

Good Nature.

Good nature is worth more than knowledge, more than money, more than honor, to the persons who possess it, and certainly to everybody who dwells with them, in so far as mere happiness is concerned.—H. W. Beecher.

Alone?

Ant—And have you been all that long way alone? Niece—Yes, auntie. Ant—Then how is it you went out with an umbrella and came back with a walking stick?—London Punch.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy a Favorite.

"We prefer Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to any other for our children," says Mr. L. J. Woodbury of Twining, Mich. "It has also done the work for us in hard colds and croup, and we take pleasure in recommending it." For sale by W. F. O'Leigh and Richard Gibson.

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OF PUBLIC FUNCTIONS

Some Things Are Essentially of a Governmental Nature.

Collecting Customs, Maintaining the Army and the Police, Are Among These, but Not Such Undertakings as the Telegraph, the Telephone, the Street Cars or Gas and Electric Lighting—True Nature of a Public Franchise.

By ARTHUR WILLIAMS.

President National Electric Light Association.

Some things are so essentially of a governmental nature that it would be fatuous to consider them from the standpoint of private ownership. Among these are the collection of customs, the maintenance and direction of the army and navy and the police power. In others it is the end rather than the means that should be sought, and municipal and private ownership are often on equal terms without the violation of any economic principle.

The maintenance of public highways and sewers is usually a public function, but the collection of taxes in examples, every public function of private ownership and operation. With water the importance to the community lies not in its ownership, whether public or private, but rather in its quality, quantity and price. Many of the most satisfactory waterworks of this country and Europe are owned privately.

Beyond these there is a class of public utilities which experience has shown should lie exclusively within the domain of private enterprise. The telephone, light, electric power, gas and electric light undertakings of this kind are not to be regarded as public functions. It is advocated by some on the ground that they are necessities of modern life, by others because they partake of the nature of monopoly. It does not appear that either is a sufficient reason. These are facilities and conveniences, not necessities. The latter consist of simple dwellings, food, raiment and means of warmth in winter. If our necessities are to be municipalized, we should begin with the butcher, grocer, baker and coal dealer, whose percentage of profits far exceeds that of any of the corporations in the so-called public service.

Monopoly—regulated monopoly—is not necessarily opposed to the public interest. It is advantageous to all to have one telephone system, that from one point all may be conveniently reached; to have one street car system with universal transfers, making unnecessary any relation between one's home and place of work; to have a single gas or electric light works, preventing the waste of small plants and organizations and securing by the large development increased reliability and improved quality in the service.

A franchise merely permits a public service corporation to share with others the use of the streets for the delivery to its customers of the commodity it supplies—a right that is enjoyed by every other industry. The difference is merely one of method. Were electricity delivered in storage batteries and gas in tanks—conceivable ways—no franchise would be required. Instead of using horses and wagons, which block the streets and make street cleaning a problem, deliveries are made beneath the surface without dirt, noise or other objectionable features.

It is through the exercise of this right that we hear of the confiscation of public property. Yet the public has not parted with its title to the streets nor its right to occupy them for any purpose or in any manner it may desire. It has simply permitted a service company to become a tenant, and other taxes, the company pays a high rent. Substantially the city is the landlord, possessing the power of arbitrarily determining, in the form of these taxes, what rent it shall receive. And this rent lessens proportionately the individual taxation.—Moody's Magazine.

Typical Case of City Bookkeeping.

The authorities of Lakewood, O., have charged the city \$55 a year for the street lights supplied by the municipal plant. After looking at their tax bills some of the citizens came to the conclusion that this sum did not represent all the cost and called in a firm of expert accountants, who ascertained that the actual annual cost per ar had been \$128.56 for the seven years the plant had been in operation, although the lights had been run on the moon light schedule. As a private company offers all night service for less than half that amount, the experiment is not regarded as a success, except by the lighting committee.

Hard Luck of English City Strikers.

The experience of the employees of the municipal street railway of Halifax, England, is not such as to encourage the idea, promulgated by our yellow journals, that cities are necessarily an easy mark. These employees struck, expecting popular support, which was not forthcoming. Their places were promptly filled, arbitration was refused, and the new men were retained when the strike was over.

Greenfield, Ind.

The city council is considering the necessity for a general overhauling and installation of new machinery in the municipal electric light plant in this city. Frequent breakdowns recently have left the city in darkness.—Electrical World.

MEETINGS.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the N. AUTH PROVISION COMPANY will be held at the office of J. E. JANNEY CAR COUPLES COMPANY, incorporated, will be held at No. 128 south Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, on MONDAY, March 2, 1908, at 3 o'clock p.m.

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Depreciation of the Electric Plant in a Minnesota Town Interesting Holdup. The burning down of the municipal electric light plant of East Grand Forks, Minn., has probably settled the question of its abandonment, which was under discussion prior to the fire. A well informed correspondent writes that "the plant has furnished a somewhat indifferent service and did not earn enough to pay the fuel and labor accounts, to say nothing about interest on investment, depreciation, etc." In spite of its charging private customers \$120 a year for 1,200 c. p. arcs on moonlight schedule.

As East Grand Forks is a border town and right across the line in North Dakota (a prohibition state) is the city of Grand Forks, about 90 per cent of the business houses in East Grand Forks are saloons. Many of these got their electric lights from a private company in Grand Forks, because the service was better and the price lower, until the council passed a resolution to the effect that no saloon would be licensed unless it patronized the municipal plant.

There is a curious discrepancy between the various reports as to the value of the plant. In January the city authorities reported that the plant had cost \$32,000. Three months later they estimated the fire loss at \$10,000, although we understand that the plant is entirely destroyed, and adjusted the loss at \$5,000, the plant having been insured for \$8,400. As it was installed in 1902, it looks as though the depreciation amounted to 84 per cent in five years, or 17 per cent a year. The plant will probably not be rebuilt.

Medford's Plant Out of Date.

F. H. Farrar, superintendent of the city electric light plant, states that the plant is out of date and practically useless. According to his statement, the plant is worth about \$10,000, and it would require an expenditure of \$15,000 to make it serviceable, while a new plant would cost about \$20,000. The majority of the council favor the employment of an electrical expert to make a thorough examination of the plant and report on the same.—Electrical World.

The country has learned that after the tumult and the shouting of a popular election cry comes the still small voice of a treasury deficit, to be made good by increased taxes.—Trenton (N. J.) Times.

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TUESDAY, March 3, 1908,

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